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AMENDMENT/RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

Please enter the following Amendment/Response to Restriction Requirement in the above-identified patent application.

In the Specification:

Please amend the Abstract to delete "Crones" and substitute therefor --Crohn's--.

At page 9 at line 18, please amend "Chrone's" and substitute therefor --Crohn's--.

In the Claims:

Please add newly-submitted Claims 20-24 as follows:

20. A method for the treatment or prevention of Claim 18 wherein the effective amount of a CD14 variant or fragment thereof which retains the bioactivity of CD14 is provided in an infant formula.

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